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# SHEA News

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### Spotted the Site?

A free e-mail *Legionella* newsletter (about once a month) covers new technology for *Legionella* control, outbreaks briefs, and new findings on legionnaires' disease. The newsletter is edited by Matthew R. Freije, from HC Information Resources, Inc, author of a book on *Legionella* control that was reviewed in ICHE. To subscribe, go to [www.hcinfo.com](http://www.hcinfo.com) and click on "Subscribe to *Legionella* E-news," or simply send a message to [hcinfo@hcinfo.com](mailto:hcinfo@hcinfo.com) with "SUBSCRIBE LEGIONELLA" on the subject line.

The National Center for Infectious Diseases, the Hospital Infections Program (HIP), the Influenza Branch, and the National Immunization Program developed and posted a fact sheet on the HIP web site about influenza vaccination that can be given to health care workers: [http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/hip/flu\\_vac.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/hip/flu_vac.htm).

SHEA members who missed the chance to comment on the Joint Commission's proposed initial sets of core measures for hospitals (until December 31, 1999) still might be interested to have a look at the Web site: [www.jcaho.org](http://www.jcaho.org). At the web page, go to the Top Spots drop down menu and select core measures.

### SHEA MEMBERSHIP

Year	Total of Membership
1990	501
1991	521
1992	610
1993	740
1994	936
1995	1,202
1996	1,262
1997	1,261
1998	1,303
1999	1,240*†

\* 149 non-renewals, 23 canceled memberships, 110 new members (including 48 associate members).

† Total as of October 30. Number will increase when November and December renewals are added to this total.

## Calendar

**Feb 15-17.** Forum on Respiratory Infections, Monte-Carlo, Monaco. Info: <http://www.aisc.it>.

**Feb 24-25.** Risk and Prevention. Paris, France. Info: <http://www.rap2000.net>.

**Feb 29-Mar 4.** Fifth World Congress on Trauma, Shock, Inflammation and Sepsis. Munich, Germany. Info: [faist@gch.med.uni-muenchen.de](mailto:faist@gch.med.uni-muenchen.de).

**Mar 5-9.** 10th Annual Scientific Meeting in conjunction with the Fourth Decennial International Conference on Nosocomial Infections and Healthcare-Associated Infections. Atlanta, GA. Info: <http://www.decennial.org>.

**Mar 27-31.** Extension Training

Program for Infection Control Practitioners. The University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, Iowa City, IA. Info: [roscoe-porch@uiowa.edu](mailto:roscoe-porch@uiowa.edu).

**Apr 10-13.** Ninth International Congress on Infectious Diseases. Buenos Aires, Argentina. Info: [isidbos@aol.com](mailto:isidbos@aol.com).

**Apr 17-19.** Central Sterilising Club meeting. Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester, UK. Info: [robertcspencer@bristolphl.freereserve.co.uk](mailto:robertcspencer@bristolphl.freereserve.co.uk).

**May 3-5.** 18th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Paediatric Infectious Disease, Neonatal Infections Antimicrobial Practice. Noordwijk, The Netherlands. Info: [Y.Beeukkes@mmb.azn.nl](mailto:Y.Beeukkes@mmb.azn.nl).

**May 7-10.** Third European Congress of Chemotherapy. Madrid, Spain. Info: [ecc@congrex.se](mailto:ecc@congrex.se).

**May 21-25.** 100th American Society of Microbiology General Meeting. Los Angeles, CA. Info: [meetingsinfo@asmusa.org](mailto:meetingsinfo@asmusa.org).

**May 25-27.** Joint Meeting of the Surgical Infection Society Europe and the European Shock Society. Nijmegen, The Netherlands. Info: [m.majoor@buro.kun.nl](mailto:m.majoor@buro.kun.nl).

**May 28-31.** 10th European Congress of Clinical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases. Stockholm, Sweden. Info: [eccmid@stocon.se](mailto:eccmid@stocon.se).

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